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SUBJ: 1971 WHEAT TRADE CONVENTION OF INTERNATIONAL WHEAT  
AGREEMENT, 1971

1. ITALIAN EMBASSY IN DAMASCUS, WHICH PROTECTS USG  
INTERESTS IN SYRIA, RECEIVED NOTE VERBALE ON 26 SEPTEMBER  
THAT GOS HAD FORMALLY DECIDED TO "ACCEDE" TO INTERNATIONAL  
WHEAT AGREEMENT OF 1971. SYRIANS REQUESTED GOI INFORM USG  
(AS DEPOSITARY FOR AGREEMENT) BEFORE 30 SEPTEMBER DEADLINE  
FOR DEPOSIT INSTRUMENT. ITALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON THERE-  
FORE PRESENTED NOTE VERBALE TO THIS EFFECT TO DEPARTMENT  
ON 29 SEPTEMBER.

2. DEPARTMENT'S TREATY OFFICE INFORMED ITALIAN EMBOFF  
WASHINGTON THAT, AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLE 23 OF 1971 WHEAT  
TRADE CONVENTION, INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL IN LONDON  
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HAD GRANTED EXTENSION OF TIME TO SYRIA TO SEPTEMBER 30

FOR DEPOSIT WITH USG OF FORMAL INSTRUMENT. AS ITALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAD NOT RECEIVED SUCH INSTRUMENT FOR DEPOSIT BY SEPTEMBER 30, DEPARTMENT INFORMED ITALIAN EMBASSY THAT SYRIA SHOULD APPLY TO INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL IN LONDON FOR FURTHER TIME EXTENSION (AS PERMITTED UNDER CONVENTION) AND AT SAME TIME SEND FORMAL INSTRUMENT TO ITALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON. SHOULD BE NOTED THAT SYRIA SIGNED CONVENTION IN 1971 AND CONVENTION CALLS FOR DEPOSIT

OF INSTRUMENT OF "RATIFICATION, ACCEPTANCE OR APPROVAL" BY SIGNATORIES. MAY ALSO BE NOTED THAT CONVENTION HAS BEEN PROVISIONALLY IN FORCE FOR SYRIA SINCE 1971 WHEN IT GAVE DECLARATION OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION OF CONVENTION.

3. FOR LONDON: REQUEST YOU ASK INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL TO NOTIFY USG WHEN SYRIAN TIME EXTENSION GRANTED, IN ORDER ARRANGE FORMAL ACCEPTANCE HERE OF SYRIAN INSTRUMENT WHEN DELIVERED.

4. FOR ROME. REQUEST YOU BRIEF FOREIGN OFFICE ON ABOVE. KISSINGER

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